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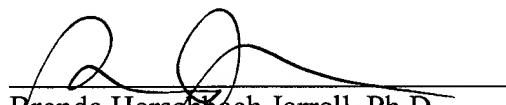
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1. Transmittal Letter (1 page);
2. Preliminary Amendment (5 pages);
3. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136 (1 page);
4. Amendment Introducing Sequence Listing (1 page);
5. Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §1.821 (1 page);
6. Paper copy of Sequence Listing (13 pages);
7. Notice to Comply with Requirements For Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures;
8. Computer-readable diskette copy of the Sequence Listing; and
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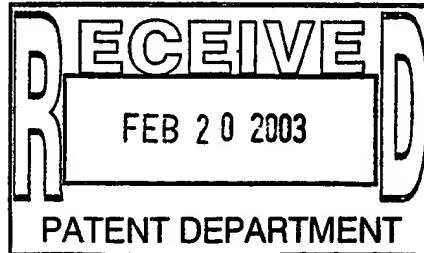
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The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825 for the following reason(s):

- 1. This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to these regulations, published at 1114 OG 29, May 15, 1990 and at 55 FR 18230, May 1, 1990.
- 2. This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c).
- 3. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
- 4. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has been submitted. However, the content of the computer readable form does not comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.822 and/or 1.823, as indicated on the attached copy of the marked -up "Raw Sequence Listing."
- 5. The computer readable form that has been filed with this application has been found to be damaged and/or unreadable as indicated on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report. A Substitute computer readable form must be submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.825(d).
- 6. The paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" is not the same as the computer readable from of the "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
- 7. Other: Specification does not comply: See page 33, line 21. Also please amend claim 43 to include Seq ID Nos. and re-check the entire specification for compliance.

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